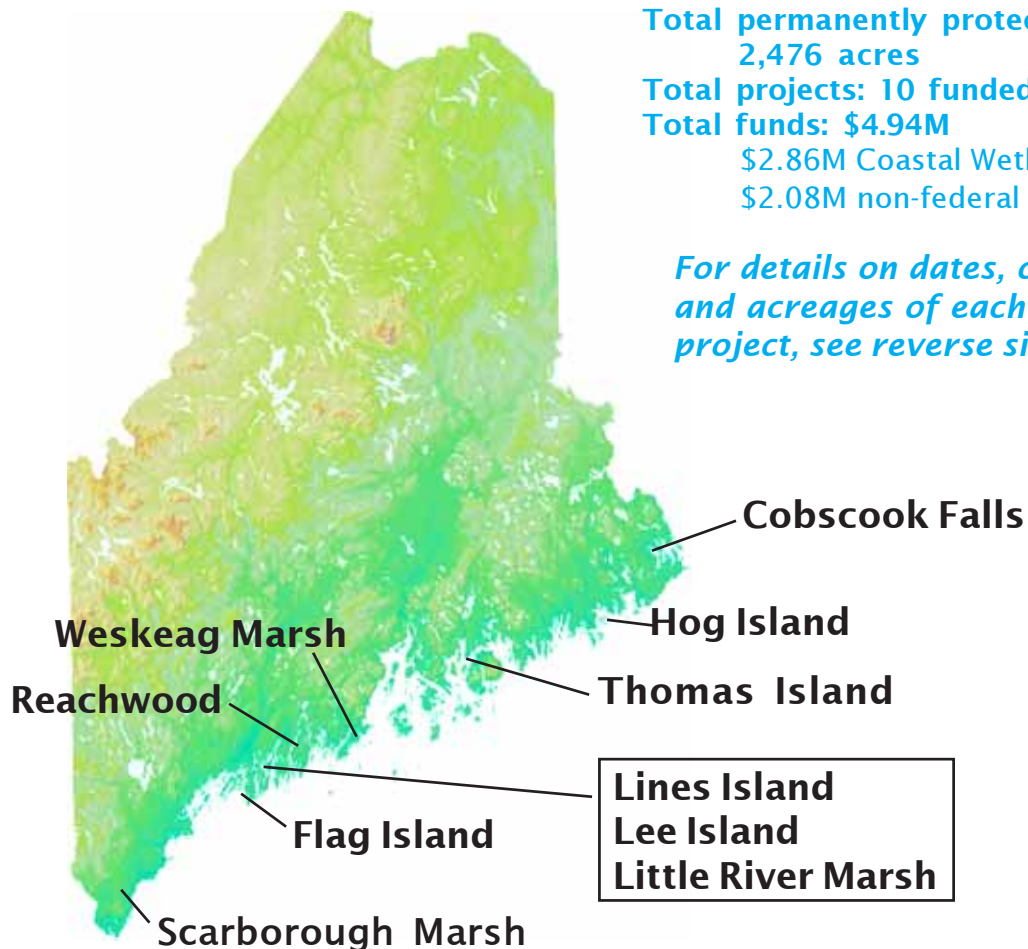


Gulf of Maine Coastal Program

Building partnerships to protect
and restore nationally important
fish and wildlife habitat in the
Gulf of Maine watershed

National Coastal Wetland Grants in Maine

Funding from the National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Act is part of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Federal Aid program to the states that supports the permanent protection (in fee and easement) and/or restoration of areas with nationally important habitat coastal wetland habitat. All of these areas support federally threatened and endangered species, waterbirds, searun fish and other wetland-dependent wildlife. Lands protected with Coastal Wetland Grants have been permanently protected by Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife as Wildlife Management Areas or by local and regional land trusts in Maine.



U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Gulf of Maine Coastal Program staff plays a key role in developing National Coastal Wetlands Conservation Act grant proposals by coordinating with Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife, local and regional land trusts and federal land management partners (including the Regional Office's Federal Aid Program). Gulf of Maine Coastal Program staff frequently provides technical support, biological data and strategic advice, creates maps, calculates wetland acreages, writes biological components of grant proposals, reviews and edits complete draft grant proposals, participates in site visits, administers approved grants and maintains comprehensive GIS records regarding the status of protected lands.

Coastal Wetland grants in Maine

DATE	LOCATION	ACREAGE	CWG FUNDS	NON-FEDL FUNDS
1994	Lee Island	117	\$254K	\$127K
1995	Hog Island	190	\$143K	\$197K
1996	Lines Island	168	\$150K	\$179K
1997	Weskeag Marsh	88	\$169K	\$ 98K
	Reachwood	853	\$260K	\$158K
1999	Little River	387.7	\$250K	\$246K
2000	Scarborough	89.1 (protected) 20 (restored)	\$154K	\$ 65.4K
2001	Flag Island	184.4	\$502K	\$368.1K
2004	Cobscook Falls	256.8	\$528K	\$335K
2005	Thomas Island	122	\$453K	\$305K